

The Romulus News

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"the little paper"

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Late News

JT Drugs Closes

by Dave Atkins

A long-time New Boston pharmacy known as JT Drugs closed recently when its proprietor, Jim Tutsui, retired.

Mr. Tutsui, who had been in business for 30 years, finally decided that it was time to take life easy for awhile.

But Mr. Tutsui's retirement won't leave his customers high and dry. His concern for them led him to make an arrangement with Family Pharmacy in Romulus to take over those customers who would prefer to do business in Romulus rather than go somewhere else.

Ken Whise, the owner of Family Pharmacy, said that he welcomes all new customers, and that he and his staff will continue giving courteous and responsible service.

In addition to its prescription medicine services, Family Pharmacy also offers a wide selection of other items for its customers' convenience.

For those New Boston residents who are not familiar with Family Pharmacy, it is located at the corner of Goddard and Shook roads in downtown Romulus.

Notice to All Residents

My wife and I would like to thank the Romulus Department of Public Works (DPW) and its employees for the excellent job that they did in replacing the water mains at Romulus and Shook roads.

It seems to me that, for the first time in my 40 years as a resident of this city, we finally have a DPW director and workers who know how to get the job done. Their excellent efforts this past winter toward keeping roads clear, as well as any number of other jobs, should be commended by all.

Mayor Beverly McAnally seemed to take a personal interest in the water main problem in particular, and many people in our area are deeply grateful for her concern and efforts.

I travel around the City quite a bit since I have retired, and I can tell you now that we have a mayor and DPW director who are interested in getting things done all over the City.

Once again, thank you very much.
Mr. and Mrs. Hoeft

Bedell Lashes Back at City Councilman

In the last issue of *The Romulus News*, a city councilman made comments about the recent SEV increases in the community, tying them directly to the School District. The councilman specifically stated that he thought it was "unfair for homeowners and older people to have to support education."

The Romulus News contacted the School District to receive a reaction. Superintendent William Bedell said, "It's distressing and hard to believe that a person that has one-seventh of the control over the legislative branch of the City could be so misinformed as to exactly how property taxes work in our community. With the State Homestead Property tax relief program, people with middle and low incomes can receive up to 60% of a large portion of their property tax back as a refund in their state income tax. Senior citizens can receive 100% of their tax back."

Bedell went on to explain that the recent tax increases caused by assessment increases are not controlled by the School District and, as a matter of fact, the School District does not receive a single penny from these increases. He pointed out that, as the local property assessments increase, the state aid formula decreases exactly the same amount so that only the city, county, and state get benefit from these increases. "For example," Bedell said, "when somebody's home assessment goes up and their taxes increase by \$200 a year, they assume the School District collected 70% of the money. That's not correct. As long as we're an in-formula school district, as that assessment increases, the state aid formula goes down that amount."

Bedell further pointed out about the councilman's remarks, "The councilman also said that if the lottery money was disbursed that property taxes could be cut. As a matter of fact, the lottery funds are now totally put into the school aid fund and are properly disbursed. However, the lottery represents a mere 4.7% of State revenues. It is a relative drop in the bucket and would not come anywhere near replacing any portion of people's property tax. The State also reduced their general fund contribution to school districts so the lottery did not help."

Bedell also added that the councilman and others who represent a community that has a 70% commercial/



industrial tax base should be careful about advocating changing the property tax system. Right now, for every \$1 that local residents give the City and Schools, the factories and commercial developments put up almost \$3.

"This is moving the School District towards becoming 'out of formula,'" explained Bedell, "which means we have the potential of being a very wealthy place indeed. For one of our elected officials to advocate changing that is inconceivable to me. If we go to some kind of statewide tax to replace our local property tax, it means all of our tax base would be distributed to other communities."

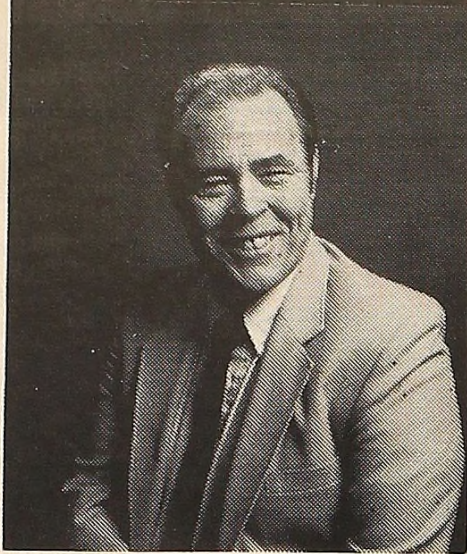
Bedell further explained that, over the years, he has noted that when city officials start feeling heat about local and state assessment increases, they are quick to point the finger at other governmental units. "If people want to check use of local tax money," he continued, "they should check the councilman's and others' support for the tax increment finance authorities that are scattered about the City where money that was voted by people for City

and School services is siphoned off into funds and used to provide roads and sewers for contractors and developers." Bedell was referring to the practice of some cities, including Romulus, of creating tax finance authorities that collect local taxes in a given area to provide for development to further tax-base growth in that area. The school districts that become "out of formula" oppose these because it is money directly from their pockets. School districts such as Taylor, Inkster, and other places that are in-formula generally are not opposed because they get their money back in the state aid formula.

Bedell concluded the interview by saying, "With airport expansion and the other growth we are experiencing in Romulus, we're becoming a very complicated and sophisticated city. We need leadership from people that understand the complexities of what's happening and are able to deal with it in a rational, logical basis. If we divide ourselves with name-calling and finger-pointing, nothing will be accomplished; but the people from outside will take advantage of us." □

THE EDITOR'S OPINION

Stone Age Laws Need Changing



by Dave Atkins

Recently, our State Representative, Jim Kosteva, took action that should have been taken many years ago when he introduced House Bill 5616. In brief, this bill, if and when it is passed, would allow a municipality to authorize the newspaper of its choice to print its legal notices.

These "legals," as they are usually called, produce enough revenue annually to sustain a great part of a newspaper's costs. Such revenues are greatly enhanced when certain publications take distinct advantage of a city's tax-

payers by making the minutes and/or legals that they publish take up twice the space that is really necessary. Let's face it: the more space you take up in a paper, the more you pay.

Guess who ultimately foots the bill? YOU!

Kosteva has taken the initiative, over the last year, to look into the feasibility of having legals printed in newspapers other than those which qualify as "legal newspapers" under current state statutes. Often, such newspapers can offer publication with greater distribution at less expense to us, the taxpayers.

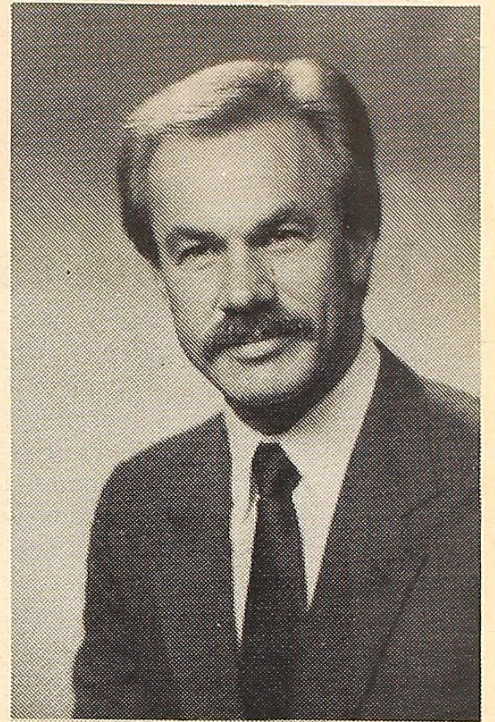
The term "official city newspaper" is a very exciting one to a publisher; it can also be ego-inflating. However, too many people take advantage of that title these days, and, by doing so, they are taking advantage of us. They fail to print as much "city news" as they could or should. They follow up on stories that the "little guy" has written, and then try to convince the public that they were the originators of the story, when, in fact, they were only "second best."

Kosteva had the insight to see that

a small paper with an opinionated editor could cover more local news than an "official" newspaper, and cover it more truthfully and accurately. He also saw that a "little paper" may not have the mega-dollars needed to publish on at least a weekly basis (one of the current requirements to be considered a legal newspaper), since most such papers are family operated or have workers who donate their time. (And, as a result, the people see this and support the "new kid on the block.")

Newspapers do have a responsibility to print the truth and follow through on stories, regardless of whom it hurts or any financial outcome. The problem with some "major" papers, however, is that they get so involved in politics with their endorsements and back-scratching of councilmen, senators, congressmen, governors, and the like, that they lose sight of their primary, most important goal: to serve as a watchdog over the government for the people.

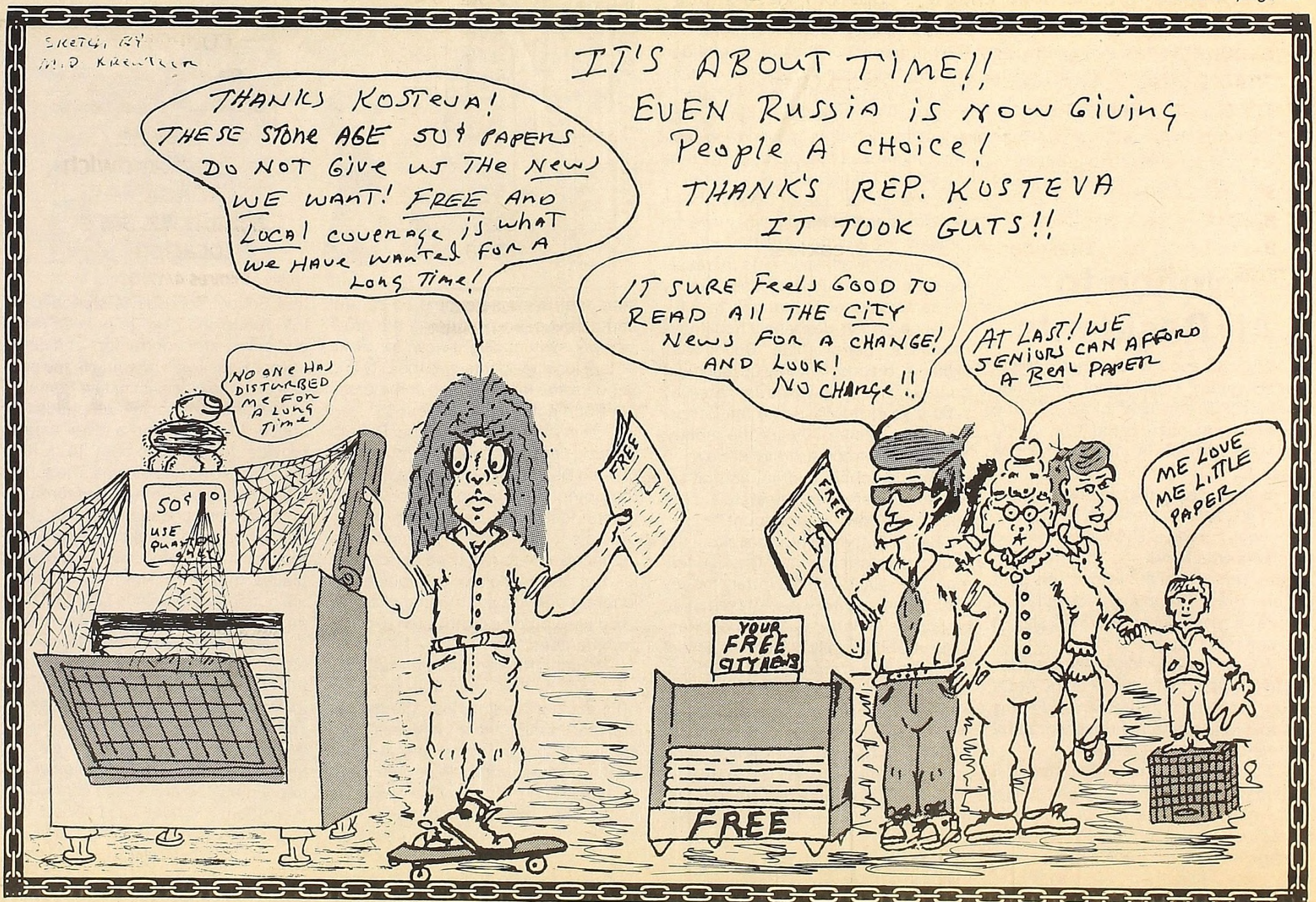
Whether they find it in a "major" newspaper or a "little paper" (or even the *National Enquirer*, which is at least

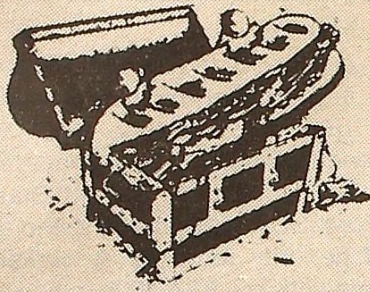


State Representative Jim Kosteva

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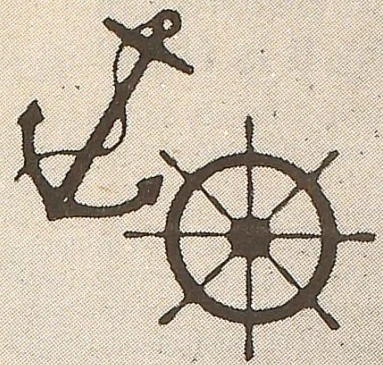
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I can tell you honestly that, except for the miracle that happened, I could not enclose this check. The wolf that comes to many doors had pups in my kitchen. I collected the bounty on them — and here is your money!

Very truly yours,
I. B. Deflated

A VINTAGE MURDER

The Romulus Arts Council will host a Murder Mystery Evening entitled "A Vintage Murder" (staged in the 1955 era) beginning at 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 28 at the Detroit Metro Airport Holiday Inn. Tickets (125) will be sold on an advance basis only for \$25 each. For ticket info, call Susan Watt at 941-0476.

SENIOR NEWS & EVENTS

by Mary E. Clark

Special thanks are due to Frances Heimes-Savickis, Field Representative for the Social Security Administration's branch office in Inkster; Sheila Hicks, Manager of the Romulus Towers senior apartments; Marilyn Masters, Senior Citizens Coordinator for the City of Romulus; and Barbara Schultz, Senior Center staff member, for contributing information to this issue's "Senior News & Events."

Social Security Benefits Are Taxed for Some

About 10% of the people in the local area will be paying income tax this year on part of their 1989 Social Security benefits, one Social Security manager said recently. Up to half of the Social Security benefit can be subject to taxation.

Taxation of benefits applies if a person has combined income — taxable income, plus nontaxable interest, plus one-half of the Social Security benefit — over the base amount, the manager explained.

Base amount figures are:

- \$25,000 for an individual;
- \$32,000 for a couple filing a joint tax return; or
- \$0 for a married person filing a separate return if he or she lived with his or her spouse during any part of the year.

The amount of benefits subject to tax is the smaller of these two figures:

- one-half of the Social Security ben-

efits, or

- one-half of the amount of combined income over the base amount.

By now, everyone who received benefits last year should have received a Social Security Benefit Statement (Form SSA-1099) showing the amount of benefits received. A worksheet is sent with the SSA-1099 to use in figuring whether taxes must be paid.

Anyone who has questions about paying taxes on their Social Security benefits can get additional information by calling the Internal Revenue Service toll-free number — 1-800-424-1040.

Questions about information on the SSA-1099 Benefit Statement can be answered by your local Social Security office.

News from the Senior Center

The Center is very busy preparing for various activities in the month of April. Here is a preview of the first half of the month.

Southland Shopping — Take a day and take the Senior Van to Southland Shopping Mall on Friday, April 6. The van will depart from the Center at 9:30 a.m. and return at 2:30 p.m., leaving plenty of time for both shopping and a leisurely lunch.

Craft Class — Do you enjoy crafts? Do you ever admire the projects of others, but feel that you could never achieve results similar to theirs? Well, you are wrong! Go to the Center and

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★ **Spring League Forming** ★
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★ **9-Pin No-Tap League** ★
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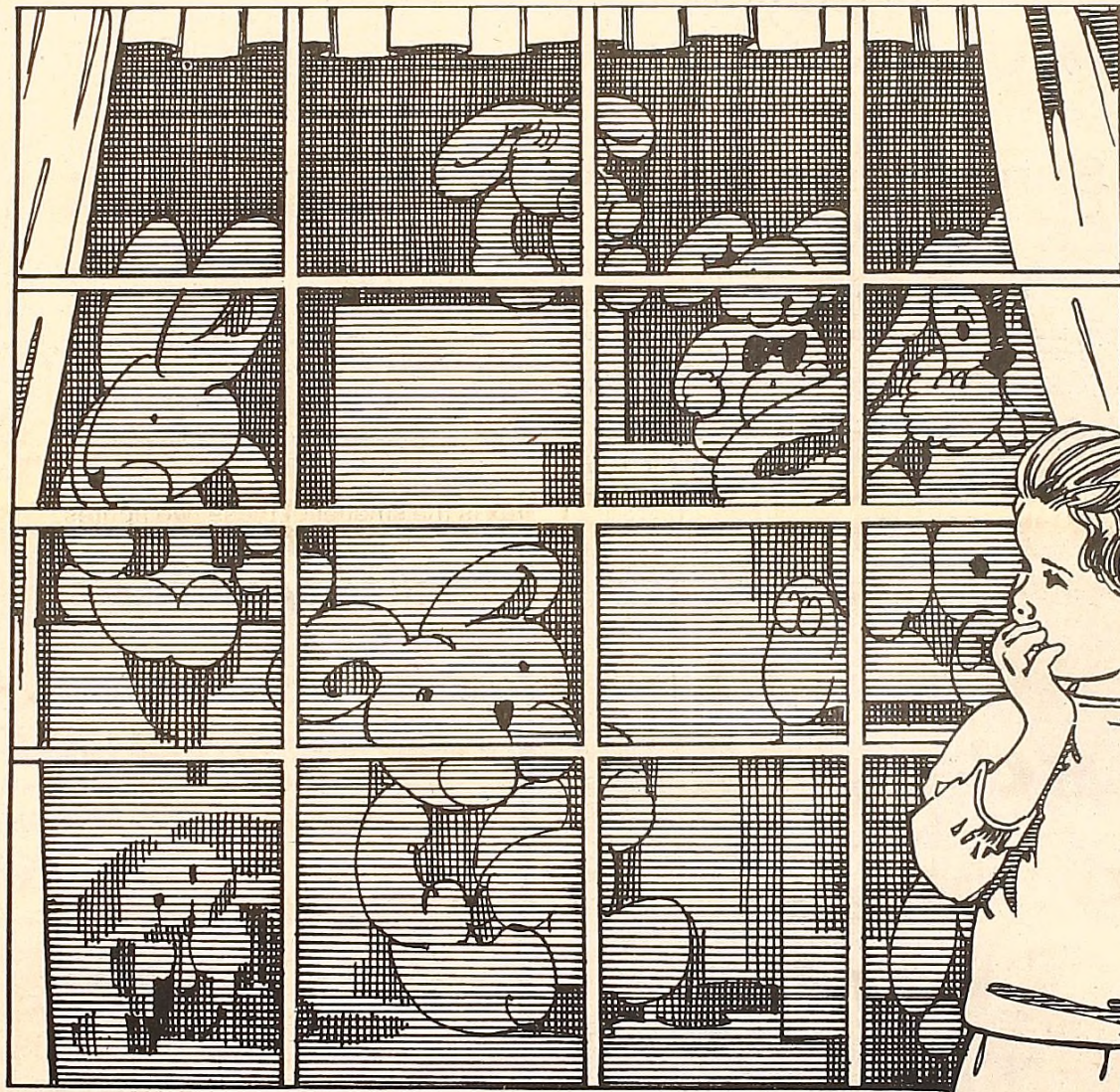
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Counselors' Honor Roll

by Al Wilkerson

The Romulus High School counselors and the Intervention Team have recently instituted a Counselor's Honor Roll. This honor roll brings recognition to those students who have bettered their grade point average (GPA) by at least .5 points in a 10-week marking period. Such recognition is especially important for those students whose hard work toward improvement still left them short of the traditional honor roll standard (3.00 GPA).

If you feel that your student has been left off, please contact me at 941-2170.

Seniors

Leshell Arrington, Scott Boger, Brian Buck, Stephan Carey, James Crova, Shawn Frazier, Makela Grundy, Rochelle Hawk, Jennifer Jones, Tammy Kappen, Nicolay Kristiansen, Shemika Lewis, Rachel Matyaszek, Sally Morgan, Cristal Richardson, Heather Seward, Jon Sharp, Tracy Shotts, Richard Stockdale, Rachelle Tabor, Donna Terrell, Tara Tyus, Derek Warren, Bryan Wojtylko, and Robert Young.

Juniors

Robert Blanchard, Felicia Brindamour, Cathryn Carnes, Darren Champagne, Shawn Davis, Carrie Gates, Angela Hopewell, Kimberly Hopewell, Michelle Housley, William Jones, Alisa

Landers, Steven Leija, Angela Lipford, Michelle McLain, Edward Miller, Torrey Mills, Chris Ritter, Anthony Sanders, Rachel Scully, Heather Siemaszko, Theresa Stanton, and Jeri White.

Sophomores

James Catron, Jason Drouillard, Brian Frazier, Sunday Harbin, Deborah Jackson, Robert Kennedy, Chad Krupinski, Mark Lane, Eric Love, Paula McClellan, Brian Ochs, Steven Odell, Letitia Parker, Dema Paszkowski, Douglass Pewitt, Joseph Stellini, Darreo Stewart, Jennifer Thacker, Jennifer Trueman, Eric Ward, Charles Wilkerson, Gerald Wilkerson, Roosevelt Williams, Timothy Wilson, and Donald Zemke.

Freshmen

Michael Anderson, Michael Ashby, Katherine Baity, Rodger Bethune, Jeffery Blanton, Kheoki Bonner, Tyzedd Bowles, Melinda Carpenter, Ronald Carpenter, Jennifer Chene, Tommy Clark, Ryan Darnell, Kairon Davis, Jack Derosier, Lisa Donathan, Jason Fabrizio, Ronald Forsyth, Kenneth Gray, Kimberly Hixon, Gerald Honeycutt, Christopher Johnson, Mario Johnson, Susan Kreft, Sandra Lowrey, Tera Morrison, Charles Moss, Josea Oday, Lamond Parks, Kenyatta Peggs, Ryan Pennington, Leroy Prince, Carlos Ramirez, Jennifer Sanders, Anthony Stokes, Patrick Stuart, and Mara Tolbert. □

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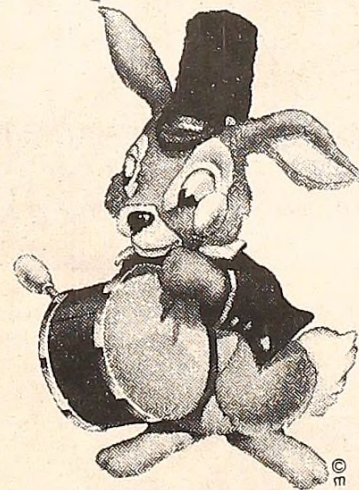
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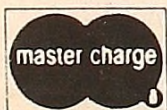
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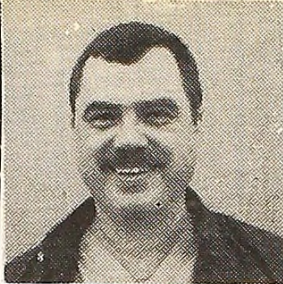
10501 Haggerty Road (1/4 Mile North of I-94) Belleville



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by **TOM SHAMANSKI**



Caution: Deer Crossing

If you haven't forgotten everything I wrote last time concerning birdwatching and binoculars, you may need more therapy than there are hours left in your life. But take heart, folks, and know that the therapy penance is doubled for me, simply because I wrote the darn stuff.

Anyway, I finally got my binocs, and last week I set out to carve my niche in birding history. Let me set the scene a bit.

It was a sunny Sunday morning; I was driving along a semi-country road, feeling happy as a loon and humming a tune from *Bye, Bye, Birdie*. Soon, turning into a local nature park, my mood clouded some . . . twenty feet into the park, there was a blasted tollbooth. But not to worry — this time, no one was home.

Usually, the booth is manned, or womanned, only in the summer months (keeps the college kids out of the libraries, I guess), so in the fall, winter, and early spring, you merely zip on by, paying nothing. If, however, someone is there, you have three options.

First, you may pay two dollars for a one-day pass. Secondly, you can pay ten bucks for a yearly sticker, but, of course, that'll be the year you'll only go there once. Thirdly, you may bulldoze the gate, but then we're getting into a lot of bothersome legal stuff. So . . . who wants to bird in the summer, anyway?

After passing the vacant tollbooth (which, by the way, gives you an elated feeling of beating the system, *yeah!*), you still have about a three-mile drive to the Nature Center building. But drive slowly, A.J., or you might miss something along the way.

For example, on my sunny Sunday, I was approximately a mile past the booth when I spotted four deer. I stopped. They stopped. They were, surely, beautiful animals, although I didn't know if they were papa or mama deer. (Actually, I'm not very good at that sort of thing — just ask my cat, Jake . . . if he ever takes a break between litters.)

So, while these cuddly deer and I were staring at one another, I swear I

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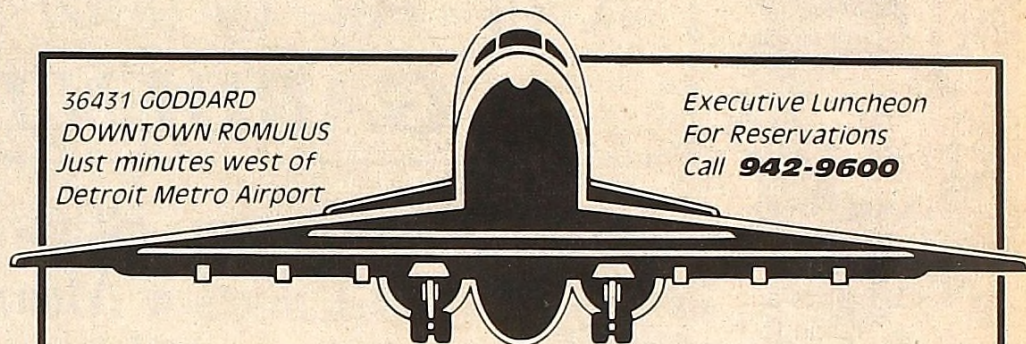
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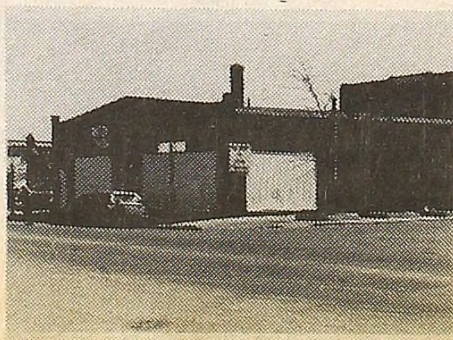
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NEWS FROM THE "REC" CENTER

Easter Activities

A free Easter Egg Hunt for children ages three to eight will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 14 at the carnival grounds behind the Recreation Building. Youngsters should bring their own basket or bag for collecting any eggs that they find.

For older children (ages eight to 14), a trip to the Detroit Science Center (where an exhibit on superheros is being featured) has been scheduled for Thursday, April 19. The bus will leave the Recreation Building at 12:15 p.m. and return at approximately 4:45 p.m. Those interested in participating should register (by 12 p.m. Thursday, April 19) at the Recreation Building. A \$4 trip fee must be paid at the time of registration.

Michigan Week Festival

Our city's Michigan Week Festival is just around the corner, so now is the time for people interested in participating in the Parade and/or the Arts and Crafts exhibition to begin their plans and preparations.

This year's parade will leave City Hall at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 18. For more information and/or entry forms, stop in at the Recreation Office (36515 Bibbins) or call 942-6852.

Crafters who would like to rent table space for the Arts and Crafts Sale (May 18, 19, and 20) can call the Recreation Department (Gail Mach) at 942-6852 (days) or Kathy Darnell at 942-0723 (evenings).

Adult Softball

Teams for Adult Softball are currently being organized into leagues. Any individuals who would like to join a team may call the Recreation Department and leave their name and telephone number. The Recreation Department will turn this information over to those managers who still need more players.

Parent/Child Bowling

Parent/Child Bowling has been set for 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 21, at the Romulus bowling alley. The \$13-per-couple entry fee includes bowling, pop, pizza, mystery games, bowling for dollars, and prizes. Registrations will be accepted at the bowling alley on a first-come, first-served basis; entry fees must be paid at registration.

Adult Scotch Doubles

Adult Scotch Doubles Bowling has been scheduled for 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 28, at the Romulus bowling alley. The \$17-per-couple entry fee includes bowling, pizza, and jackpots. Registrations will be accepted at the bowling alley on a first-come, first-served basis; entry fees must be paid at registration.

Saturday Recreation

Free recreation programs are scheduled for Saturdays at Halecreek and Wick schools. Elementary-age students may attend from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; junior-high and senior-high students may attend from 2 to 4 p.m. (Junior- and senior-high students will not be admitted without their Romulus school I.D. card.) There is no need to preregister. (This program will run each Saturday until Easter break.)

Open Volleyball and Basketball

Both Open Basketball and Open Volleyball programs are held weekly at the North Junior High. The Volleyball program, a co-ed event for ages 18 and up, is set for Mondays from 6:30 to 9 p.m.; Open Basketball, on Thursdays, will be scheduled from 5 to 7 p.m. for teens (there is a 75-cent fee per evening) and from 7 to 9 p.m. for adult men (for a \$1-per-evening fee). These programs will continue after Easter break only if participation warrants.

Story-time at the Library

The free Story-time program at the

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New Arrival

Rick Daniel Schonscheck

Rick and Laura Schonscheck (of 37675 Westvale in Romulus) are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Rick Daniel Schonscheck. Rick was born in St. Joseph Hospital at 11:40 a.m. on March 7, 1990. He weighed seven pounds, one ounce, and measured 21 1/4 inches.

Rick's grandparents are Fred and Nancy Schonscheck and Dan and Carol Skura (all of Romulus). □



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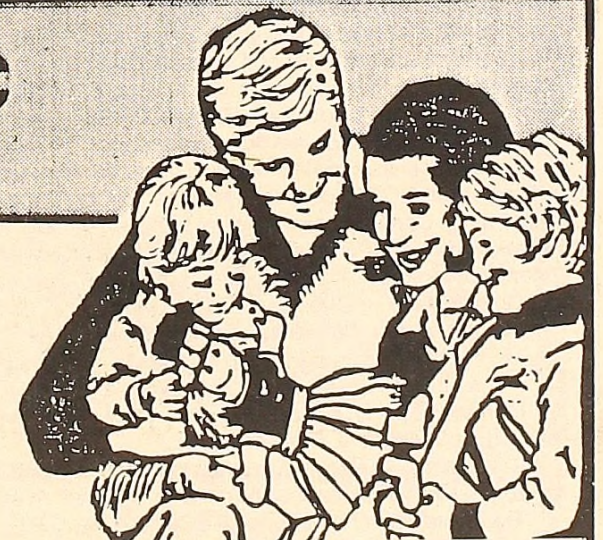
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REGULAR MEETING, MARCH 12, 1990

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held Monday, March 12, 1990, was called to order by President Berlinn at 7:31 P.M.

Roll call showed all Members present. All Administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Berlinn.

Approval of Agenda:

3/90/1 Moved by Wilkerson supported by Kesner the Agenda be approved as submitted by Dr. Bedell. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:

3/90/2 Moved by Kesner supported by King the Board approve the Minutes of February 13, 1990 as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Abstain: 1 (Wilkerson). Motion carried.

Communications and Expressions from the Public:

A "thank you" was received from Mary Ann Banks for Board recognition as she was presented with a plaque congratulating her for being selected "Romulus Person of the Year".

Mr. Pat McNally, a Romulus resident, asked for permission for his child to attend Van Buren Schools.

Mrs. Evelyn Coburn asked about use of school buses for spectators to the Boys' Regional Tournament in Ypsilanti.

Mr. Kruse, Band Director, reported on results of recent band performance and the high marks given by the judges to Romulus Bands.

Mrs. Powers, the teachers' union president, asked if the district is adding additional administrators.

Report of the Superintendent:

Personnel Actions

Dr. LeCesne recommended the following Personnel Actions for Board approval: **A. Employment:** Marcia Stewart, Lib. Aide — Sr. High (Prob.), Eff. 2/27/90.

3/90/3 Moved by King supported by Langley the Board approve the Personnel Actions as recommended by Dr. LeCesne. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

3/90/4 Moved by Wilkerson supported by Patterson the Board approve the Bills for Payment as presented by Administrator Carr. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approval of Field Trips — N.J.R.O.T.C.

3/90/4 Moved by Patterson supported by Wilkerson the Board authorize N.J.R.O.T.C. cadets to go for an orientation visit to the Naval Base in Charleston, South Carolina from May 7 to May 10, 1990. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

1990/91 High School Program — Tom Dolan

3/90/5 Moved by King supported by Patterson the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and acknowledge receipt of the High School Course of Study for the 1990/91 school year. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

State Grant: Restructuring Schools — Tom Dolan

3/90/6 Moved by Wilkerson supported by Langley the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the proposed budget presented for a grant from the State to do a restructuring study, and further, that the Board give in-kind support through administrator released time and secretarial support. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Teen Health Center Policies

3/90/7 Moved by Patterson supported by Langley the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the policies presented for use in the Adolescent Health Center at the High School. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Deferred Compensation Plan

3/90/8 Moved by Bales supported by Wilkerson the Board approve Deferred Compensation Plan as recommended by legal counsel. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Awarding of Bus Bids

3/90/9 Move that the Board of Education purchase ten school bus bodies from McFadden Corp. for a net cost of \$107,492.00. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

3/90/10 Moved by Patterson supported by King the Board purchase ten school bus chassis and two pickup trucks from Crova GMC for a total cost of \$238,993.89. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Permission to Seek Bids/Demolition South Jr. High

3/90/11 Moved by Patterson supported by Wilkerson the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to seek bids for the demolition of South Junior High School. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Purchase of CAD System

3/90/12 Moved by Wilkerson supported by Patterson the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the purchase of a CAD System for use in the Voc. Ed. Program for a purchase price of \$5,810.00 as per the Purchase Order presented to be made with State Voc. Ed. funds. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. Bedell discussed the following Items of Interest with Board Members: 1) Board Letter of Praise — M.A.S.B.; 2) Finance Minutes; 3) Cory Geography Bee; 4) Language Staff Development; 5) Congressman Ford In-Service; 6) Deficit Elimination Letter; 7) Junior High Speaker; 8) WCASB Board Recognition; 9) WC-MEA/NEA News Letter; 10) Employee Attendance Letters; 11) Memo from Dan Hurst — Senior High School Re: Stacie Brown; and 12) Channel One — Questions and Answers.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Member Wilkerson: Spoke on N.J.R.O.T.C. Ball and how well planned the event was.

Member King: Spoke on recent Wayne County School Board Association Meeting.

Member Langley: Handed out information on Channel One.

Executive Session — Negotiations

3/90/13 Moved by Bales supported by Kesner the Board convene in Executive Session for purpose of Negotiations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 9:15 P.M. and reconvened in Regular Session at 10:25 P.M.

3/90/14 Moved by Bales supported by Patterson the Board accrete (add to) two contracted service adult education administrators to the Romulus Association of School Administrators (RASA) bargaining unit as recommended by the Superintendent and ratified by RASA. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

3/90/15 Moved by Wilkerson supported by King the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Daniel R. Bales, Secretary, Romulus Board of Education

Winter Award Winners, 1990

by Fred Coleman, Romulus Schools Athletic Director

On March 22, the winter sports program came to an official close with an awards night presentation.

Highlights of the event were the announcements of the 1990 All-League, All-Area, Scholar Athlete, and Most Valuable Player awards.

The winter programs compiled a 103-51 win/loss record for the season, which featured a second-place finish for both the volleyball team and the wrestling team in their South Central Conference races.

The basketball team, meanwhile, managed a district championship, and nearly upset Plymouth Salem to capture the regional championship as well.

The Romulus winter program placed 84 athletes on the honor roll, with 41 of those athletes managing to reach the Principal's Honor Roll (a GPA of 3.5 or better).

Leading the way for the winter teams was the volleyball program, which com-

pleted 30 victories and only 15 losses, and managed to maintain a 'team GPA' of 3.65.

Michele Scarrow and Jennifer Daniel led the volleyball team's GPAs, with Michele at 3.966 (currently number one in the Class of 1991) and Jennifer at 3.81 (currently fourth in the class of 1991).

These two fine student-athletes were joined by Torrey Mills (3.45) and Bruce Boyd (2.85) as our representatives to the Winter SCC Scholar Athlete Team.

State champion Bruce Boyd was named MVP for the 1990 wrestling team, and also was selected to the All-League and All-Area teams.

Joining Bruce on the All-League wrestling team for 1990 were Bill Lincoln, Brian Farnan, and David Gehringer.

Selected to the All-Area wrestling team with Bruce were Brian Farnan, Dale Gehringer, Scott Murawski, Terry Shenton, and Tim Kosikowski.

Named to the All-League and All-Area basketball teams were Most Valuable Player Larry Perkins and Virgil Davis. Virgil also received recognition on the All-Metro Honorable Mention list.

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ROMULUS HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS/TRACK, SPRING 1989-90

Tennis Schedule

DAY	DATE	TIME	PLACE	OPPONENT
M	4/9	3:30pm	Away	Ann Arbor Huron
W	4/11	3:30pm	Home	Taylor Truman
Th	4/12	3:30pm	Away	Garden City (old West High School)
Tu	4/17	3:30pm	Away	Ann Arbor Pioneer
Th	4/19	3:30pm	Home	Adrian
Tu	4/24	3:30pm	Away	Ypsilanti
W	4/25	3:30pm	Home	Clarenceville
Th	4/26	3:30pm	Home	Ann Arbor Huron
M	4/30	3:30pm	Home	Wayne
Tu	5/1	4:00pm	Away	Taylor Center (at Hoover Junior High)
Th	5/3	3:30pm	Home	Ann Arbor Pioneer
Tu	5/8	3:30pm	Away	Adrian
W	5/9	3:30pm	Home	New Boston Huron
Th	5/10	3:30pm	Home	Ypsilanti
Tu	5/15	3:30pm	Home	River Rouge
F	5/18	TBA	TBA	Regionals (Day One)
Sa	5/19	TBA	TBA	Regionals (Day Two)

Head Coach: Dan Stearn

Track Schedule

DAY	DATE	TIME	PLACE	OPPONENT
Th	4/5	3:30pm	Away	Garden City
Sa	4/7	12:00pm	Away	Taylor Truman
Th	4/12	4:00pm	Away	Monroe Jefferson
Tu	4/17	3:30pm	Away	Ann Arbor Pioneer
M	4/23	3:30pm	Away	Taylor Center
Tu	4/24	3:30pm	Away	Ann Arbor Huron
Sa	4/28	10:00am	Away	Monroe Invitational
Tu	5/1	3:30pm	Away	Ypsilanti
Th	5/3	3:30pm	Away	Ypsilanti Lincoln
M	5/7	3:30pm	Home	Highland Park
Tu	5/8	3:30pm	Away	Adrian
Th	5/10	4:00pm	Milan	Milan/Willow Run
M	5/14	4:00pm	Home	River Rouge
Tu	5/15	3:30pm	Away	Wayne
Sa	5/19	TBA	TBA	Regionals
W	5/23	TBA	Ypsi	South Central Conference Meet
Sa	6/2	TBA	TBA	State Meet

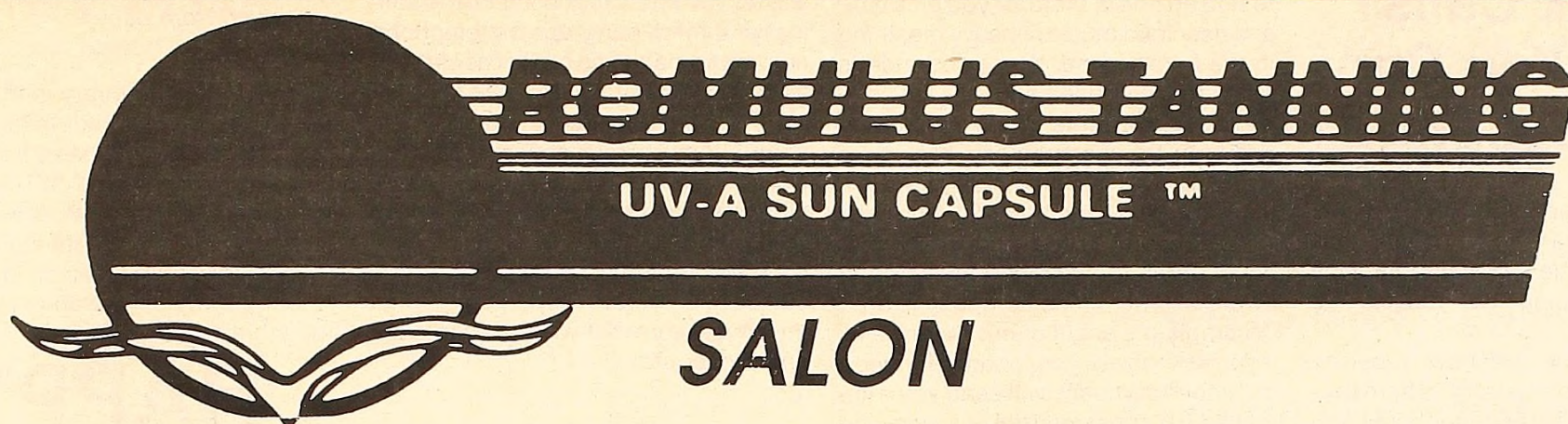
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by Dave Atkins

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For years, people have received threatening phone calls, calls from people who use filthy language and hang up, calls from people who let the phone ring once or twice and hang up, and other sorts of harassment. It's bad enough when incidents such as these occur during the day and early evening, but when pranksters start calling in the middle of the night, it gets to be very troublesome.

Let's assume that you have a very sick relative in the hospital, or even in his/her own home. The telephone rings at 3 a.m. What is usually the first thing that comes to your mind? "Something bad has happened, or I wouldn't be get-

ting this call." You pick up the phone to find no one is there, or you pick it up and hear loud music or heavy breathing in the background. Your good night's sleep has just been shot.

Well, now there is a way that you can stop this harassment. Yes, there really is. Call Michigan Bell and ask them to put a "tap" on your line, and they will do it. There is, however, one major catch that you should be made aware of. The phone company is tired of complaints about prank phone calls. If you ask to have your phone "tapped," the phone company will send you a letter that you must read, fill out, sign, and return to their office. By doing this, you are agreeing to prosecute the party or parties involved in making the prank calls.

If you aren't willing to prosecute, then don't ask for the "tap."

If you do have your phone tapped, here are a few other things that you should know: first, you must keep a log of every call you receive that you feel is harassing (hang-ups, pornographic calls, etc.); second, you cannot claim a hang-up call to be harassing if you have Call Waiting because it takes five

rings at the other end before your phone will let you know that someone is calling; and third, hang-ups on telephone answering machines cannot be claimed as harassing, either.

If you are willing to comply with the stipulations listed above, then the chances are very good that the phone company will find the culprit(s) who is doing the calling.

If you are going to take up the phone company's time to "tap" your phone, then make sure that you follow through and prosecute! □

RECREATION NEWS

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Romulus Public Library is the perfect way to introduce children (ages three to seven) to the joy of story hour. Story-time sessions are held on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.; the program will continue through April 12. Parents may enroll their child by going to the Library in person or by calling the Library at 942-7589.

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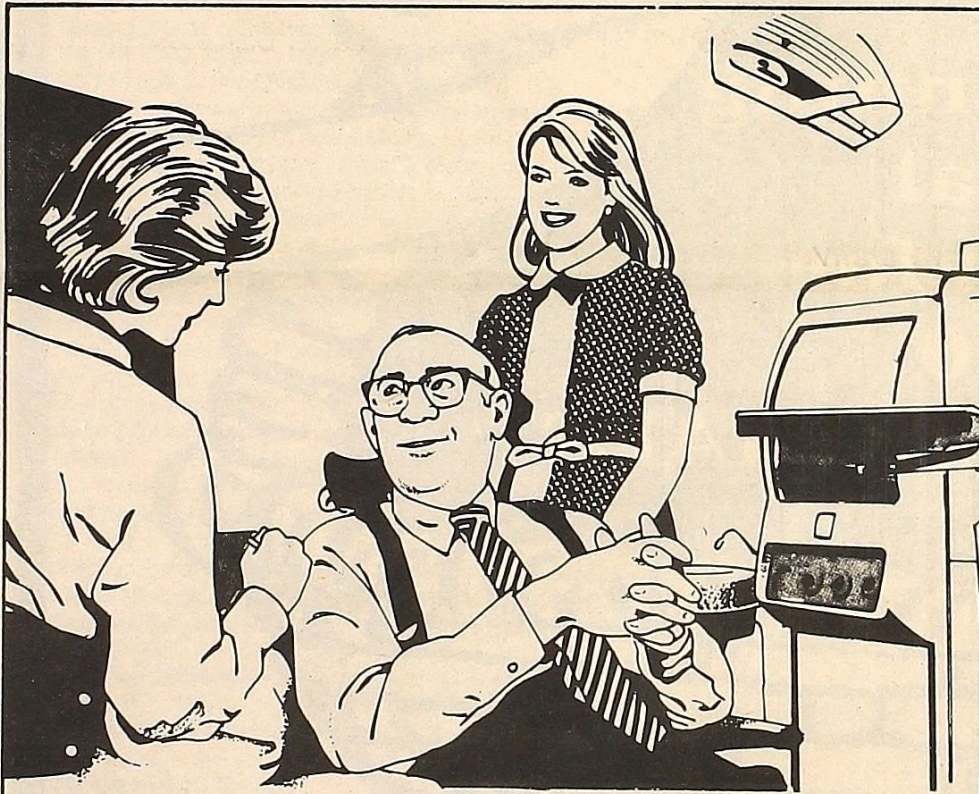
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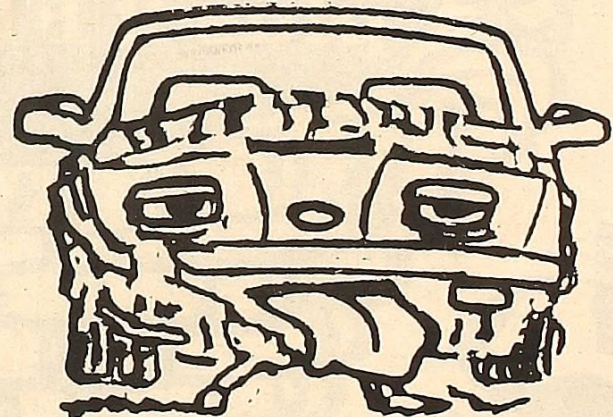
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saw one of them turn to his (her?) buddy and whisper something into her (his?) ear. Of course, I can't be sure, but I'm guessing that the conversation went something like this:

"Hey, look at *that* dude, Bambi. He's got himself a *genuine pith helmet!*"

"Right, Rudy, the guy probably fancies himself a real mountain man out here."

"Yeah, too bad the nearest mountain is a thousand miles away," Rudy snorted. "Anyway, he looks like the kind of fool who'd get chronic nosebleed just climbing a ladder. Well, who knows, maybe he's here to birdwatch."

"Right," grinned Bambi. "He'll probably find some dirty, stinky water, flip that goofy helmet upside-down, and use it as a birdbath."

"Huh?"

"You know, to lure only exceptionally stupid birds for him to watch. They bond that way."

"Look! He's trying to hang his binocular strap around his head; wants to take a look-see at us, I suppose."

"Listen, Rudy, you and Henry romp

past him on the left, and Sarge and I will buzz him on the right. Ha! Fifty bucks says he'll strangle himself on the strap trying to see us!"

Meanwhile, still in my car, I was pulling out my binocs and trying to slip on the strap, wanting to get a closer look at those cute, fuzzy, friendly little deer. Suddenly, all creation broke loose! Two of the deer went racing past me on one side, and two on the other. For a moment, my head was whirling like a confused tornado. Immediately, I started praying, thinking I was in the midst of a misplaced exorcism!

By the time they had bounded away, I'd nearly choked myself with that darn strap. The heck with it, I thought, while wheezing and pulling at the strap — I came here to watch birds, *not some loony deer!*

Finally, nudging my car into 'drive,' I resumed my journey to the Nature Center. Two minutes later, I ran out of gas. □



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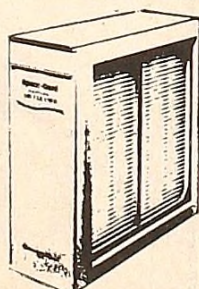
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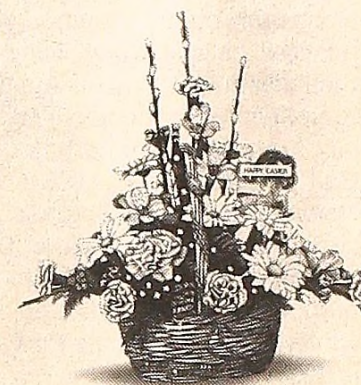
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1990 AWARDS

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The cheerleaders also completed their long season (August to March) that evening, and selected Becky Bales as the Most Valuable to their program this season.

The volleyball players selected team captain Christine Stratton as their Most Valuable Player for 1990. Chris was also selected to the All-League team, along with Scholar Athletes Michele Scarrow and Jennifer Daniel.

Not only are these two young ladies excellent students, as shown by their class rank, but they are both excellent athletes, as well, which was shown by their selection to the All-Area team for their second consecutive year.

Congratulations to head coaches Gail Coleman (volleyball, ninth year), Norman Butler (wrestling, second year), and Chris Molloy (basketball, first year), as well as to their excellent staffs, for producing a very fun-filled, exciting winter season for all the Romulus fans in 1989-90. □

Project Renewal

Romulus Community Schools recently was awarded a \$50,000 grant by the State of Michigan to continue the 'Effective School Program' started more than two years ago. Entitled 'Project Renewal,' the grant money will allow the school district to continue school improvement teams at the elementary, junior-high, and senior-high schools. At

each level, teams will assess strengths and needs of the present programs, and study, research, and investigate different learning and teaching options. Visitation to model school programs that have proven successful will also be part of the investigation by team members. Every group of employees of the school district will be asked to become involved. Parents from each school attendance area will also be invited to join a team. School Board members, administrators, employees, parents, and students will be involved in the process, with direction and assistance being provided by teacher facilitators.

Why a study? The most recent faculty and student survey in Romulus indicated that student 'self-concept' is a district-wide priority. When students are placed in low esteem, educational quality deteriorates. In turn, lower-quality education produces a lower-caliber workforce. Society suffers and becomes unable or unwilling to assist those it neglected in the first place.

Superintendent Bill Bedell and the Romulus Board of Education are excited about the possibilities for educational change that will take place after the recommendations are made to them. "There should not be any surprises," Bedell remarked, "because the Board and I will be active participants in the process. However, we need and seek staff and community participation. The project will not be successful unless our employees and parents are the foundation to this restructuring process."

The combined efforts of the Romulus educational community will have

a profound and long-lasting impact on the educational design of programming in Romulus Schools. The coordinated efforts of the three school improvement teams will culminate in the consensus recommendations regarding K-12 school restructuring. In such a restructuring, a sensitivity to the lack of progress by 30% of the school population will result in a school environment that is designed to be successful for all students. □

Board OKs Teacher Pay Increase

At its Board Meeting of Monday, March 26, 1990, the Romulus Community Schools' Board of Education voted unanimously to implement a seven percent pay increase, retroactive to last September, for the teachers' bargaining unit. Representatives of the Board of Education indicated that they felt compelled to do so when they received information that the pay increase places Romulus teachers at the midpoint in Wayne County salaries. The increase would be fourteenth of the 28 districts settled.

Dr. William Bedell, Superintendent of Romulus Schools, said, "It is obvious that we are going to have to make a pay adjustment of this amount to stay competitive. It is also obvious that it's liable to take years to get a teacher contract, so we felt that we better rec-

ommend implementation to try and help diffuse some of the angry feelings in the district." Bedell also explained that implementing now prevents the school district from having a large contingent liability build over a period of years. □

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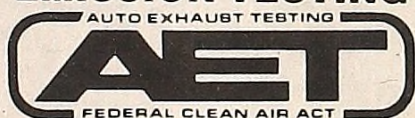
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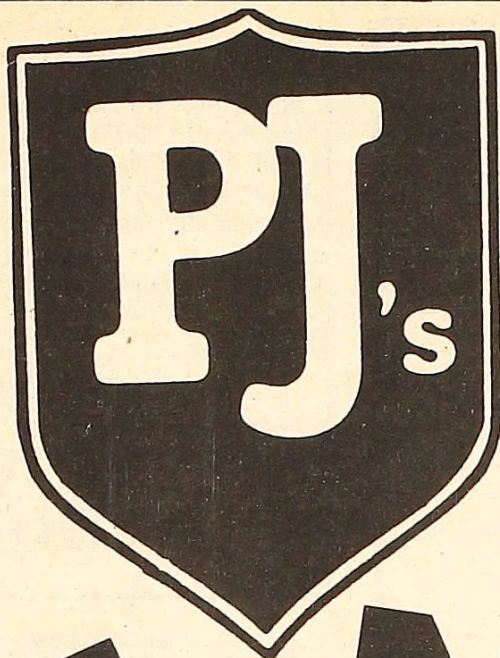
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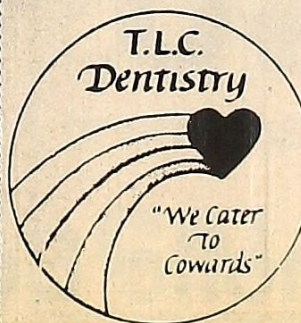
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Dinner/Theater — Also set for April 19 is an evening of dining followed by a performance of *Rich Is Better*, a comedy that will be presented by the Trenton Community Players. Tickets for the play are only \$2 for this performance. For more information, call the Center at 942-6852.

Potluck Dinner — The monthly potluck dinner has been set for Tuesday, April 17, beginning promptly at 5 p.m. The Center will provide kielbasa; you bring your favorite dish to pass.

Senior Day at Boblo — The Michigan Park and Recreation Association is sponsoring Senior Citizens' Day at Boblo Island again this year. Though the trip will not take place until June 5, tickets must be purchased earlier, so the sign-up sheet is now available at the Center. Please don't delay if you are interested, as this trip always fills up.

Looking Ahead — A trip to Toledo, Ohio, to see a new musical revue highlighting the Golden Age of Music and movie stars from the 1930s has been set for the near future. The cost for the show, a buffet lunch, and transportation is only \$44. Call 942-6852 for more information.

Center Closed on April 13 — Don't forget that, since April 13 is Good Friday, the Center will be closed that day.

News from the Romulus Towers

Easter Egg Hunt — A special prize will be awarded for the most eggs found in the Towers' own Easter Egg Hunt, which is scheduled for Wednesday, April 11. Residents should meet in the lobby at 1:30 p.m. for an exciting, treat-filled afternoon.

Happy Birthday! — I would like to wish a special Happy Birthday to the following Towers residents celebrating April birthdays: Pauline Bragenzer, Alma Bristow, Kathy Casto, Clara Drogs, Sally Mulka, Helen Payne, Helen Skelton, and Al Thorne. I hope that the coming year is one of health and happiness for you all. □

Discount Cards

Now there's a way for members of the community to support the Romulus High School athletic program and get something nice for themselves, as well.

The Romulus High School Athletic Boosters and Romulus High School Athletic Director Fred Coleman have made a Customer Discount Card available to supporters of school athletics programs. This card, which entitles the purchaser to discounts at 18 area businesses for one full year (expires April 1, 1991), costs only \$5, \$4 of which is returned to the Athletic Department.

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EDITORIAL

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that involves people who are opinionated because they have the guts not only to read between the lines, but to print what they find there, then so be it.

Many years ago, the newspaper associations lobbied in Michigan's House and Senate for the passage of the present state statutes, which define the conditions that must be met by a newspaper in order for it to be considered a legal publication. The reason that they pushed for such legislation back then was probably the same one that they now have for opposing Kosteva's bill: to "legally" keep their smaller competitors from growing and taking some of their business by offering cheaper rates. Hopefully, the greedy wishes of some of these papers will backfire on them, and the people will be allowed to make a choice.

In an exclusive interview with this paper, Kosteva said, "If the present laws that were enacted many years ago were attempted to be enacted today, they certainly would fringe on being against the fair trade laws we presently have." He added, "I am only interested in the freedom of the press."

In the March 29, 1990 issue of *The Romulus Roman*, the Associated News appeared to deal Kosteva a slap in the face with an article accusing him of not doing his homework on this bill, and a cartoon depicting Kosteva shredding state laws, attorney general opinions, "traditional" definitions of newspapers, freedom of information, truth and logic, and the state constitution, leading people to believe that he has no respect for the law. Such a harsh attack seems a little mind-boggling to me, considering that Associated Newspapers chose Kosteva as their "Man of the Year" not long ago.

Actually, we at "the little paper" have found that Representative Kosteva *does his homework thoroughly* in his efforts to represent his constituents fairly, and that he is a hard worker when it comes to getting things accomplished for the good of the people. He has a very

good record, and will continue working for the benefit of all as long as he remains a representative.

Other allegations in the Associated News article included their opinion that some papers that do not meet the current qualifications necessary to be considered a "legal" newspaper (such as, possibly, ours) do *not* do quality, factual reporting. All I can say is that *this* paper, with or without the help of any mayor, councilman, governor, congressman, senator, or even president, for that matter, will continue to report the news as I find it — and, frankly, I don't care who does or doesn't like it. I will place this paper up against any paper in this state for correct typesetting, reporting (even if it is opinionated), and quality of printing . . . and we're not even a "legal" paper.

For some reason, "legal" papers like to try to degrade smaller publications that, in many cases, have much larger distributions in their own little towns than many of the "majors." In fact, many free papers will have as much as two to three times the readership, in their local areas, that the "legal" papers have, with no returns at all. (That means that all the papers were picked up and read.)

Furthermore, who does the writer of Associated's "opinion" think that he or she is kidding? If I am not mistaken, they own six publications, and print city legals for more municipalities than just Romulus. In our city's 1987-88 fiscal year, approximately \$37,682 of the \$50,000 budgeted for printing and publishing was paid to Associated Newspapers. In 1988-89, the figure was approximately \$30,609 (again, of \$50,000 budgeted). And through March 30, 1990, of the 1989-90 fiscal year (which began in July, 1989), the City had already paid Associated News, or been invoiced for, approximately \$25,923 of its \$50,000 budget for the printing/publishing of its legals. Now, who is kidding whom?

The only reason that no "official city newspaper" wants the state statute changed is strictly because of financial gain — or, more precisely, because of a lack of financial gain if Kosteva's proposal is passed.

A quick look at the current state of the newspaper industry gives a good indication of what people really want. While many of the "legal" broadsheet

papers (some as old as 180 years) are folding up, free and tabloid papers are becoming more popular than ever with the public because they are free, easy to hold and read, and not afraid to tell it like it is. The *Free Press* and the *Detroit News* are finding that their J.O.A. is backfiring on them, and they don't know what to do about it. What they *are* doing is losing advertisers and subscribers to smaller, more locally oriented papers. Some free, some paid. Some weekly, some biweekly, and some monthly.

It truly is time for cities, townships, etc., to be allowed a choice concerning where their legal notices are published. If they choose a larger paper, that is fine, but at least give them a choice — don't force them to live by laws that were enacted for the Stone Age.

Yes, Representative Kosteva did the right thing when he presented House Bill 5616. It took guts, and lots of them, to act for the good of all in the face of the interests of a powerful few. □

It's The Law



by Murray A. Duncan, Jr., Attorney

All transactions regarding real estate should generally be recorded with the register of deeds. The register of deeds for Wayne County is located on Monroe Street in Wayne County. To record a document, simply deliver the document to the clerk at the register of deeds. Upon recording the document, the clerk will send the original document back to the person whose name appears on it. The recording fee is \$9 for the first page and \$4 for each additional page.

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The purpose of recording is to give notice to third parties of the title on a piece of property.

If you have a legal question that you would like answered, you may send your question to my office and I will attempt to address it in a future issue. Questions should be mailed to: Murray A. Duncan, Jr., 10000 South Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174. □

DISCOUNT

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visiting his office at the High School. (Mr. Coleman would like to remind everyone that all RHS athletes can purchase tickets for sporting events for you. Be sure to ask.)

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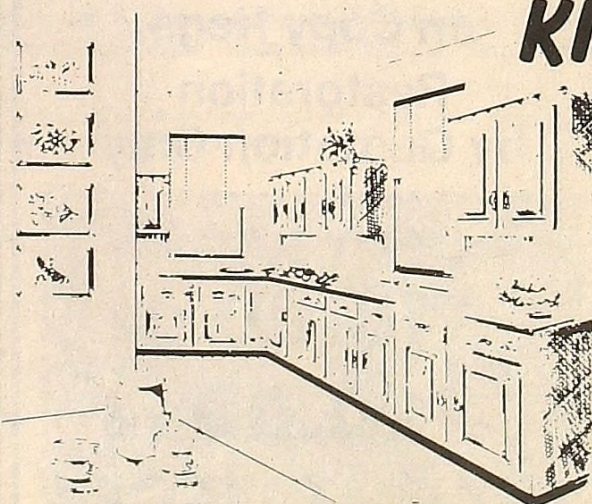


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Obituary

Jessie Ilene Binkley

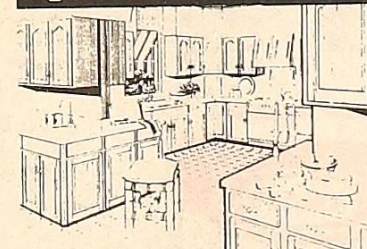
Jessie Ilene Binkley of Romulus died March 19, 1990, at the age of 53.

Jessie, the beloved wife of Emanuel Binkley, was the dear mother of Paul M. Binkley (of Detroit), James E. Binkley (of Indianapolis, IN), and Ms. Deborah J. Binkley (of Detroit), and the stepmother of Mrs. Burnell (Barbara A.) Taylor (of Virginia), Mrs. Samuel (Penelope) Brake (of Tennessee), Mrs. Patricia Schillag (of Hazel Park), and Charles R. Binkley (of North Carolina). She is also survived by one brother, George A. Ramsay (of Romulus); four sisters, Mrs. Mike (Elizabeth May) Fabinski (of Chandler, TX), Mrs. Luke (Martha) McMaster (of Lake City), Mrs. Thelma L. Blanco (of Cadillac), and Mrs. Richard (Mildred M.) Nieman (of Romulus); five grandchildren; 13 step-grandchildren; and eight step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Thursday, March 22, at Crane Funeral Home (36885 Goddard Road, Romulus), with the Rev. Marvin Hawbaker of Calvary Baptist Church—Romulus officiating. The site of interment was Mount Hope Memorial Gardens in Livonia.

Memorials may be made to the Binkley family. □

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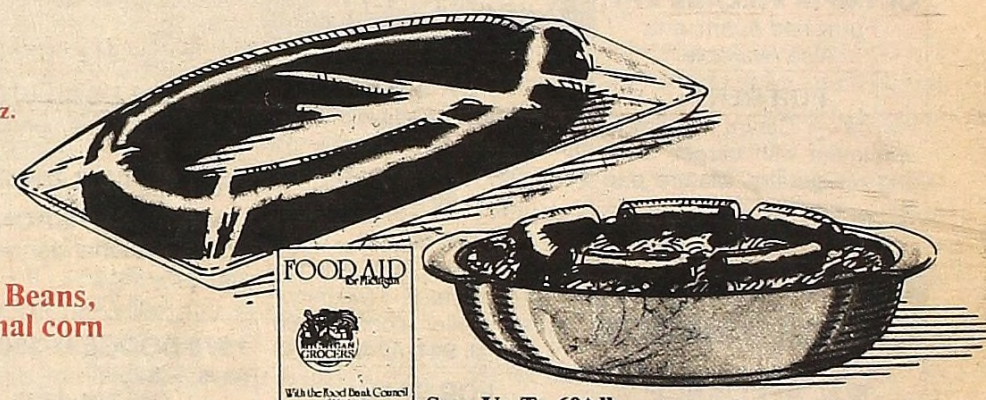
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